

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 8 of Article 17 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1960 Supplement), title "Clerks of Courts", sub-title "General Duties of Clerks", AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 103 OF THE ACTS OF 1961 be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

8.

Every clerk shall attend at his office for the transaction of the business thereof every day except Sundays and legal holidays either in person or by deputy, unless prevented by sickness, accident or necessity, except that ~~[the circuit courts of Allegany, Caroline, Dorchester, Frederick, Montgomery, Prince George's, Wicomico, Worcester, and Somerset counties, respectively, may at the discretion of any such court]~~ *any circuit court may in its discretion direct that the office of the clerk of court of such county shall be closed for the transaction of business on Saturdays. In Baltimore City, the Supreme Bench may at its discretion direct that all offices of such clerks shall be closed for the transaction of business on Saturdays.*

NECESSITY, EXCEPT THAT ANY CIRCUIT COURT MAY IN ITS DISCRETION DIRECT THAT THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT OF SUCH COUNTY SHALL BE CLOSED FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS ON SATURDAYS. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT IN HOWARD COUNTY THE CLERK SHALL ATTEND AT HIS OFFICE AS AFORESAID AT LEAST THIRTY-EIGHT HOURS IN EACH WEEK, LEGAL HOLIDAYS EXCEPTED. IN BALTIMORE CITY, THE SUPREME BENCH MAY AT ITS DISCRETION DIRECT THAT ALL OFFICES OF SUCH CLERKS SHALL BE CLOSED FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS ON SATURDAYS.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1961.*

Approved April 24, 1961.

CHAPTER 538

(House Bill 569)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 379 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Cecil County (1953 Edition, being Article 8 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Cecil County", sub-title "Schools", increasing the annual expense allowance for the members of the County Board of Education for Cecil County.

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EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken out of bill.